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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Distinguished Intelligence Medal

1. As I mentioned the other day, I think we've been downgrading the Distinguished Intelligence Medal by handing it out so freely that it seems the retiring employees almost expect to receive it as a matter of right. I also think the amount of pompous ceremony we attach to promotions is unnecessary, distracting and wasteful of productive time and not really very meaningful to employees who would probably be just as well satisfied without ceremony.

2. It is my view that the Distinguished Intelligence Medal should be reserved for special achievements -- professional, technical, analytical, managerial - and for those who have had a particularly distinguished career characterized by quite high responsibility. I am told that's the way it used to be and I am in favor of returning to that kind of standard.

3. It seems to me the best way to address this might be for you to have the Executive Committee take a look at it.



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*for* William J. Casey

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